

**MINUTES**  
**THE GOVERNING BOARD**  
**SEVENTH REGULAR MEETING OF THE NINETY-SIXTH YEAR**  
**PARADISE VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 69**

Seventh Regular Meeting  
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The Seventh Regular Meeting of the Ninety-sixth Year of the Governing Board, Paradise Valley Unified School District No. 69, was called to order by Dr. Skidmore at 7:00 p.m. on October 15, 2009, in the District Administrative Center Governing Board Room, 15002 N. 32<sup>nd</sup> Street, Phoenix, Arizona.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

Governing board members in attendance: Mrs. Case, Mrs. Greenberg, and Dr. Skidmore. Mrs. Hoogendyk and Mr. Ohmart were absent. (Others in attendance: Dr. Lee, Superintendent, and Assistant Superintendents Dr. Baribault, Mr. Elliott, and Dr. Sweeney.)

**SELECTION OF ACTING PRESIDENT: MOTION NO. 36**

In the absence of Mrs. Hoogendyk, president, Mrs. Greenberg moved that Mrs. Case preside over the October 15, 2009, meeting. The motion was unanimously approved.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES: MOTION NO. 37**

Mrs. Greenberg moved the Governing Board approve the minutes of the October 1, 2009, Regular Meeting as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA: MOTION NO. 38**

Based on material received Monday, October 12, 2009, Mrs. Greenberg moved the Governing Board approve the agenda and the following items by exception:

VIII.D. Approval of Cabinet Level Travel Request: Asst. Superintendent for Instructional Support--  
Secondary

- IX.A. Approval of Elementary Field Trip Requests: Items (1) (2)
- X.A. Approval of Administrative/Certified Employees Travel Requests: Items (1) (2) (3) (4)
- X.B. Approval of Secondary Field Trip Request: Shadow Mountain High School Marching Band Members
- XII.A. Approval of Vouchers
- XII.B. Approval to Award Contracts: Items (1) (2)
- XII.C. Acceptance of Gifts and Donations Report
- XII.D. Acceptance of Student Activities Fund Financial Report
- XII.E. Approval of Resolution No. 299, Advanced Payment of Apportioned State Aid
- XII.F. Ratification of Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2009
- XII.G. Adoption of Revised 2009-10 Annual School District Budget
- XIII.B. Approval of Certified Employee Actions: Items (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
- XIII.C. Approval of Classified Employee Actions: Items (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
- XIII.D. Approval of 2009-10 Evaluators of Certified Staff
- XIII.E. Approval of 2009-10 Evaluators of Classified Staff

In addition, Dr. Lee requested that Item VIII.B follow Item VIII.C.

The motion was unanimously approved.

### **GOVERNING BOARD STATEMENTS**

Dr. Skidmore requested the Governing Board recognize Shadow Mountain High School graduate and current swim coach Misty Hyman at a future meeting. Mrs. Greenberg reported on recent school events she attended.

### **SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS**

Dr. Lee announced that Governor Jan Brewer has declared October "Math Achievement Month" in honor of the MAC-Ro Program and the success of MAC-Ro students throughout the state. Paradise Valley Unified School District has five schools participating in this program, and Rodel Foundation President and CEO Dr. Carol G. Peck recently presented awards to Arrowhead, Campo Bello, and Echo Mountain Primary schools, who achieved over a 10% gain in "meets and exceeds in math" during the 2008-09 school year. Congratulations were extended to those schools.

Dr. Lee recognized the following students who recently gained national recognition: Christopher Cleveland (National Achievement Scholarship Program), and Elizabeth Stier and Haily De La Cruz (National Hispanic Recognition Program). Congratulations were extended to these students and their families.

### **RECOGNITION OF OUTSTANDING CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH**

The Governing Board and Paradise Valley Support Employees Association recognized Norma Tucker, Hearing Resource Clerk at Cholla Complex, as the Outstanding Classified Employee for the month of October. Mrs. Tucker received a certificate of appreciation and wristwatch from the District, and a floral arrangement from Fordyce Flowers and Gifts.

### **REPORT ON PARADISE VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE PARTNERSHIPS BY INTERIM PRESIDENT DR. PAUL DALE**

Dr. Paul Dale, interim president of Paradise Valley Community College, shared information regarding current partnerships between PVCC and Paradise Valley Unified School District.

The following motions were approved by exception:

### **APPROVAL OF CABINET LEVEL TRAVEL REQUEST: ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT FOR INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT—SECONDARY**

...moved the Governing Board approve a request by Dr. Patrick Sweeney, Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Support—Secondary, to attend Infinite Campus' executive briefing in Blaine, Minnesota, on November 2-4, 2009. Cost to the district will be release time only.

### **APPROVAL OF ELEMENTARY FIELD TRIP REQUESTS**

...moved the Governing Board, providing the recommended ratio of one adult per each ten students (K-8) is met, approve the following field trip requests:

1. Liberty Elementary School sixth grade students (70) to travel to Toyon Bay, California, on September 15-17, 2010, accompanied by Principal Drew Davis and teachers Trent Peelle, Charlene Fazio, and Jennifer Moore, to visit Catalina Island Marine Institute to study oceanography. Expenses will be paid by student activity and tax credit funds.
2. Desert Shadows Elementary School sixth grade students (75) to travel to Toyon Bay, California, on November 17-20, 2009, accompanied by Principal Richard McCormick and teachers Regan Atherton, Vicki Fork, and Vicki Smith, to visit Catalina Island Marine Institute to study oceanography. Expenses will be paid by student activity and tax credit funds.

**APPROVAL OF ADMINISTRATIVE/CERTIFIED EMPLOYEES TRAVEL REQUESTS**

...moved the Governing Board approve the following travel requests:

1. Gifted Education Director Dina Brulles to *St. Louis, Missouri*, to attend the 56<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the National Association for Gifted Children (NAGC) on November 4-8, 2009. Cost to the district will be release time only.
2. Greenway Middle School teachers Rafael Saragosa, Heidi Cocco, and Marta Smith to *Irvine, California*, to attend the AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) national trainer of trainers workshop on October 23-24, 2009. Expenses will be paid by Title I.
3. North Canyon High School teachers Mary Murphy-Tick and Melissa Lopez to *Irvine, California*, to attend the AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) national trainer of trainers workshop on October 23-24, 2009. Expenses will be paid by TFPE grant.
4. Paradise Valley and North Canyon High School teachers Kyle Kelman and Sally Griffeth to *Nashville, Tennessee*, to attend the Association for Career and Technical Education's (ACTE) 2009 Annual Convention and Career Tech Expo on November 17-22, 2009. Expenses will be paid by West-MEC grant.

**APPROVAL OF SECONDARY FIELD TRIP REQUEST: SHADOW MOUNTAIN HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND MEMBERS**

...moved the Governing Board, providing the recommended ratio of one adult for every 15 students (grades 9-12) is met, approve a field trip request by Shadow Mountain High School teacher Jason D. See to accompany 73 marching band members to Las Vegas, Nevada, on October 23-24, 2009, to participate in the Palo Verde High School Marching Band Invitational. Expenses will be paid by students and tax credit and band booster funds.

**PRESENTATION: PROJECT LEAD THE WAY CERTIFICATION**

Dr. Sweeney introduced Horizon High School engineering teacher Phillip Howardell, Horizon High School Principal Dr. Dan Courson, and Project Lead The Way Representative Dr. Joseph Tidwell, who presented information on Horizon's recent "National Affiliate Certification" with Project Lead The Way.

**UPDATE OF BOND AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS**

In accordance with Arizona Revised Statutes § 15-491, Mr. Elliott updated Governing Board members and the public on the progress of bond and capital improvements financed through bonding, capital outlay override, and School Facilities Board projects.

The following motions were approved by exception:

**APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS**

...moved the Governing Board, having had the opportunity to review the vouchers delivered three days prior to the meeting, and to talk by telephone with the Assistant Superintendent for Business Services, ratify the vouchers as submitted. (see copy)

**APPROVAL TO AWARD CONTRACTS**

...moved the Governing Board approve and award contracts as follows:

1. Approval of Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) of Construction Manager at Risk Services for Star Tech Professional Center Addition (CREST) to Adolfson & Peterson Construction, as itemized in Contract 09-033 for an award amount (GMP) of \$3,480,695.
2. Physical Education/Athletic Equipment and Supplies to Physical Education/Athletic Equipment and Supplies to Buddy's All Stars; Gopher Sports; Greg Larson; Riddell; Sportime; Sports Supply; S & S Worldwide; Sunvalco; Toledo Physical Education Supply; and Universal Athletic, as itemized in IFB 10-022.

**MOTION NO. 39**

Mrs. Greenberg moved the Governing Board ratify the following award:

3. Solar Photovoltaic Electric Generating System to SOLON Corporation and Green Choice Solar, as itemized in RFP 10-026.

The motion was unanimously approved.

The following motions were approved by exception:

**ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS AND DONATIONS REPORT**

...moved the Governing Board, in accordance with Governing Board Policy 6.4.4 and Arizona Revised Statutes §15-431.A(15), accept the Gifts and Donations Report for the October 15, 2009, Governing Board Meeting as submitted. (see copy)

**ACCEPTANCE OF STUDENT ACTIVITIES FUND FINANCIAL REPORT**

...moved the Governing Board, in accordance with ARS §15-1123, accept the Student Activities Fund Financial Report as of September 30, 2009, as submitted. (see copy)

**APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 299, ADVANCED PAYMENT OF APPORTIONED STATE AID**

...moved the Governing Board pass, adopt, and approve Resolution No. 299 authorizing the District to request that the State Board of Education pay apportioned state aid to the District in the amount of \$950,000 prior to the date set for such apportionment. (see copy)

**RATIFICATION OF ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009**

...moved the Governing Board ratify the Annual Financial Report for fiscal year 2009 per A.R.S. §15-904 as submitted. (see copy)

**ADOPTION OF REVISED 2009-10 ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET**

...moved the Governing Board, in accordance with A.R.S. §15-905, approve the Revised 2009-10 Annual School District Budget as follows:

Total Aggregate School District Budget Limit	<u>\$231,386,357</u>	
General Budget Limit	<u>\$190,681,923</u>	(M&O)
Unrestricted Budget Limit	<u>\$ 12,510,827</u>	(Unrestricted Capital)
Soft Capital Allocation Limit	<u>\$ 7,791,591</u>	(Soft Capital)
Federal Projects	<u>\$ 20,402,016</u>	(Federal Grants)

The significant differences in this budget over the revision approved on August 6, 2009, is an increase in the soft capital budget of \$6.1 million, and the M&O and K-3 overrides have been calculated at last year's per student amount (after the budget was cut mid-year) plus 2%. Both of these provisions came about from the Governor's veto of the "final" school funding bills in September.

In addition to these changes, the budget balance carry forward amounts for soft capital, unrestricted capital, and M&O have now been adjusted for what are the final numbers.

The unfortunate part of this budget is that there are insufficient revenues at the state level to support the planned spending. It is a widely held belief that this year may be very similar to last, in that the threat of a mid-year (or even late-year) cut will continue to exist throughout the year, and will likely be considered when the Legislature reconvenes in January.

(see copy)

**APPROVAL OF MANAGEMENT EMPLOYEE ACTION: MOTION NO. 40**

Mrs. Greenberg moved the Governing Board approve the employment of Melissa A. Parmer as Nutrition Budget Coordinator, effective October 19, 2009, at an annual salary of \$48,203 (prorated to \$32,938.72) with fringe benefits and terms of employment in accordance with the *Policies for Salary, Benefits and Terms of Employment for Central Office Administrators, 2009-10*. The motion was unanimously approved. (see copy)

The following motions were approved by exception:

**APPROVAL OF CERTIFIED EMPLOYEE ACTIONS**

...moved the Governing Board approve Certified employee actions as presented. (see copy)

**APPROVAL OF CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEE ACTIONS**

...moved the Governing Board approve Classified employee actions as presented. (see copy)

**APPROVAL OF 2009-10 EVALUATORS OF CERTIFIED STAFF**

...moved the Governing Board approve evaluators of certificated staff members during the 2009-10 school year as presented. (see copy)

**APPROVAL OF 2009-10 EVALUATORS OF CLASSIFIED STAFF**

...moved the Governing Board approve evaluators of classified staff members during the 2009-10 school year as presented. (see copy)

**ADJOURNMENT: MOTION NO. 41**

There being no further business to come before the Governing Board, Mrs. Greenberg moved the Governing Board adjourn. The motion was unanimously approved, and the meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m. on October 15, 2009.

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Nancy Case, Acting President